

GETS NEW PLAY SITES

Highways Protective Society to Keep Children Off Streets.

JUNIOR BODY ORGANIZING

Committee Issues Appeal for Larger Membership and Contributions.

The National Highways Protective Society is constantly extending its supervision over what its secretary, Edward S. Cornell, terms the "arteries of the public," for it has found there are more phases of street life for it to deal with than appeared when it first began work. The care of children playing in the streets has been one of the chief objects of the society, and Mr. Cornell said yesterday the society would be now greatly aided in keeping children off the streets by the gifts of five large sites for playgrounds.

Park Commissioner Stover is helping the society in its work and is aiding in the opening of a rest for mothers and children of a piece of ground at First avenue and 67th street, turned over to the society by F. Augustus Schermerhorn. The J. E. Bennett estate gave a site, a baseball ground at Broadway and 14th street, and Alfred Seligman, vice-president of the society, gave another baseball ground at Broadway and Hillside avenue. Mr. Schermerhorn also gave a farm garden 225 by 150 feet, at First and Second avenues, where about three hundred and fifty children will be taught to grow vegetables and flowers. It is probable that the city park will be opened on the East Side near the river in the "fifties."

The society intends to have these breathing and playing spaces for the children opened before hot weather, and has a committee at work consisting of Alfred L. Seligman, Dudley Field Malone, Joseph A. Herson, M. De G. Trenholm and Colonel Cornell.

It has also been decided to open what is called a Junior League, and all the children in large cities who can write their names will be asked to join. They will have certificates of membership and badges, and medals for bravery and merit will be conferred. It is thought that this plan will prove attractive to children throughout the country and that they will in turn interest their parents, many of whom know little of the ways of protecting children in dangerous streets or roads.

Colonel Cornell said at the society headquarters, No. 46 East 25th street, yesterday that the society had received inquiries from many cities and organizations as to its ideas for protecting the lives of the children in the streets.

"Despite the precautions we take, too many are killed every month," he said. "Last month 21 were killed and 17 injured. In Manhattan during 1910 143 were killed and 210 maimed for life. Here, look at these photographs of children maimed for life by trolley cars, automobiles and trucks. This is what I call my 'chamber of horrors.'"

A committee consisting of F. Augustus Schermerhorn, Cleveland H. Dodge, R. Fulton Cutting, W. Emory Roosevelt, James A. Stryker, Dallas B. Smith, John H. Christie, R. A. Sunda, David B. Ogden, John N. Seligman, Felix M. Warburg and Douglas Robinson is now issuing an appeal for a larger membership and for contributions, which are being received at the headquarters of the society.

GIRL KIDNAPPED AT SCHOOL

Mildred Hildinger Seized by Woman, Probably Her Mother.

A sensational kidnapping occurred yesterday afternoon outside Public School 23, at Herkimer street and Ralph avenue, Brooklyn. While the children were playing about after school a taxi cab with two women dashed up. One of the women jumped out and grabbed Mildred Hildinger, six years old, and put her into the automobile. Before anything could be done the machine had gone away.

The little girl lived with her grandfather, Alexander Hildinger, at No. 184 Fulton street. The child's parents, who are now in the custody of the grandfather pending the disposition of the case, Mr. Hildinger said last night that he supposed that the woman who had kidnapped the youngster was her mother. He informed the police of the capture of the little one, but they had learned nothing as to her whereabouts last night. The child's mother, Mrs. Margaret Hildinger, lives in New Haven. The child's father, Frank Hildinger, is in the employ of a company which he represents. The suit is pending in the Superior Court of Connecticut.

PATTEN'S GIFT WILL BE \$2,000,000

For Northwestern University Medical School of Research Into Tuberculosis.

(By Cable to The Tribune.) Philadelphia, May 8.—James A. Patten, the Chicago financier, announced today that he would contribute \$2,000,000 to aid in the war against tuberculosis. The gift will be made to the Northwestern University Medical School of Chicago, to create a research department. Mr. Patten was in Philadelphia today to inspect the University of Pennsylvania hospital, which devotes much time to the fight against the white plague. He plans to have the Northwestern University follow the method of research here.

"Six months ago," said Mr. Patten, explaining the inspiration for the gift, "my brother died from tuberculosis. We had been inseparable since childhood, and his death occurred in my home, at his bedside. Before his death he gave \$500 to a hospital as a tribute to my wife, and I shall follow in his steps by contributing a portion of my fortune to enable physicians to combat the disease which took my brother from me."

GIRLS DANCE ON HOTEL TOP

Annual "Guild of Play" Observed on Waldorf-Astoria Roof.

Far above the street on the roof of the Waldorf-Astoria yesterday afternoon 124 little girls from the East and West sides of the city, under the supervision of Miss Madeline Stevens, danced in groups of eight at the annual "Guild of Play" of the Parks and Playgrounds Association of the City of New York. While Miss Stevens or her assistants played the piano the children executed difficult Hungarian movements, the Russian czardash dance, Highland flings and other dances.

The dancing, which was witnessed by a large throng of guests and patrons of the association, including Eugene A. Philbin, president, and Mrs. George H. B. Mitchell, was preceded by a fairy pantomime play entitled "Father January and His Brothers." The play was in four parts, featuring children being required in the last to portray the various allegorical characters.

According to the annual report of the secretary of the association, Miss Pauline Robinson, J. Pierpont Morgan heads the list of subscribers toward the summer work in maintaining the "guild of play" centers, which include the roof playgrounds. It requires about \$500 yearly, the report says, to keep up the playgrounds.

DR. JUSTIN HEROLD UNDER KNIFE

Dr. Justin Herold, professor of toxicology and medical jurisprudence in Fordham University, was operated on Sunday morning for a large infiltrated abscess of the back. The abscess was found to be a large abscess of the back, and the operation was successful.

NOTABLE LONDON SEASON

First Royal Ball of the New Reign at Hyde Park House.

(By Cable to The Tribune.) London, May 8.—There are indications that the social season which opened yesterday will be the most brilliant on record. Last night fully a dozen notable hostesses were entertaining. The most magnificent party of the night, the first royal ball of the new reign, took place at Hyde Park House, where Lady Naylor Leyland was hostess, Princess Christian and her daughters, as well as the Duchess of Argyll and Prince and Princess Louis of Battenberg being the chief guests.

The ball opened with a royal quadrille, in which the hostess was partnered with Prince Louis of Battenberg. Her elder son, Sir Edward Naylor Leyland, who is godson of the late King, danced with Princess Christian.

Lady Naylor Leyland's sister, Lady Scarborough, shared with her the arduous duties of hostess, and some notable company present were Lady Decies, Lady Paret, Lady Dufferin, Lady Craven, Mrs. Astor, Mrs. Lady Stafford, Mrs. Harry Higgins and Mrs. Sloane.

A CHICAGO NEW THEATRE

Mrs. H. F. McCormick and Ira Nelson Morris in the Project.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.) Chicago, May 8.—Plans are being made for the establishment in Chicago of a repertory theatre that will realize the hopes of the founders of those ill-starred movements begun in this city five years ago, and during the last two seasons unsuccessful in New York. Profiting by the mistakes of both these undertakings, men and women prominent in social and art circles of this city have made tentative plans for its realization.

Mrs. Harold F. McCormick has been mentioned as prominent in the movement. Ira Nelson Morris, who was asked to become the Chicago director of The New Theatre in New York will also take an active interest in the Chicago enterprise.

MAJESTIC THEATRE

The Smart Set in "His Honor the Mayor."

Either a razor was flashed or a gun went off every few seconds at the Majestic Theatre last night. That meant that S. H. Dudley was back in town, with Ada Overton Walker and a company of negro comedians. Darktown was out in force, and there was such a demonstration as you should never see nowhere. Every time Dudley uttered a word his eyes were rolled, and whenever the winsome Ada Walker sang, and when she sang, there were clapping and stamping and cheering and every other kind of applause, from the time Raspberry Jim (S. H. Dudley) announced his desire to shave the President until his ambition had been realized.

The performance went off with a dash and a vim that was due in no small part to the colored leader of the orchestra, who played the piano standing up, while he directed the musical numbers on the stage. The colored drummer in the orchestra had something to do every minute, and he did it well. Miss Ella Anderson sang a song called "Consolation Lane," which should become popular. In fact, many of the songs were tuneful and pleasing.

FIFTH AVENUE THEATRE

"\$1,000 Reward," a Sketch by Robert H. Davis, Is Presented.

Robert H. Davis, author of "The Welch" and other sketches, has written another sketch, called "\$1,000 Reward," which was presented at the Fifth Avenue Theatre yesterday afternoon. It is a story of Western life, picturing events following the murder of a cowboy in self-defense. The period during which the action took place was too short to make the love element of the play seem probable. The more dramatic features would have been more effective if better used. Leslie Stowe played the part of Jim Bottford, a sheriff. Robert Hill and Miss Jane Salisbury were the other members of the cast.

The play was effectively staged by Henry Miller.

The day's programme also included numbers by Miss Eva Tangany, who was received with the usual cordial demonstration; Bert Levy, Hiss and Whittaker and Wilfred Clark and company.

ROBERT MANTELL IN "LOUIS XI."

Robert Mantell gave last night his performance of "Louis XI" during his current engagement at Daly's. His characterization of the superstitious, crafty, cruel French king found favor with a large audience. Marie Booth Russell acted the part of Marie de Saumur, and Philip de Commines, Henry Fearing, Jacques Coeur, Alfred Hastings, Francois de Paoli, Fritz Geron, Luc de Nemours, and Oscar Pfeiffer were the Oliver de Dint, To-night "The Merchant of Venice" will be given for the last time, with Mr. Mantell as Shylock.

VARIETY HOUSES.

Tom Ferris and company are acting this week at Hammerstein's Victoria Theatre in "Scrooge," an effective dramatization of Dickens' "A Christmas Carol." Others on the seventeen act bill are Della Fox, George and Bailey and Harry Fox and the Miller Ship Sisters.

"Queens of the Jardin de Paris" furnish an excellent burlesque at the Columbia Theatre this week. Miss Kremes and Signor C. Caserta had a troupe of French dancers and pantomimists in a realistic presentation of a scene from the underworld of Paris.

Gus Edwards in his "Song Revue" heads a capital programme at the Colonial. Mme. Vera Bessan acts well in "The Woman Who Knew."

The chief attraction at the Alhambra is a realistic sketch called "The Shuns of Paris."

Francis Wilson returned to the Criterion Theatre last night in his delightful farce comedy, "The Bachelor's Baby," in which he has been highly successful. He and the members of his company had a most cordial reception.

Miss Dorothy Donnelly and most of the former members of her company began at the Manhattan Opera House yesterday a new management in "Madame X." Alexander Bitson's sensational melodrama.

"The Man of the Hour" was played to two crowded houses at the Academy of Music yesterday.

"The Pink Lady" will celebrate the 10th performance of its production in the New York Theatre to-night. This sparkling musical comedy has had an exceptional career since its opening. The capacity of the theatre has been tested at every performance.

Henry Miller is to appear in vaudeville. He will act for three weeks in "Frederic Le Maître," a comedy drama, by Clyde Fitch, beginning at the Colonial Theatre on May 20. He will be supported by Mrs. Laura Hope Crews and Lina Fennell.

The 10th performance of "Excuse Me" at the Gaiety Theatre will take place to-morrow night.

The annual meeting of the Actors' Fund of America will take place at 2 o'clock to-day at the Gaiety Theatre for the election of officers for the coming year.

GAYNE DEEDS CHARTER

Says Opposition to Mayor's Enlarged Veto Is Baseless.

HIS HEALTH BAD ALL WINTER

Denounces Other Criticisms in a Letter Made Public by Commissioner Andrews.

William S. Andrews, Commissioner of Records, yesterday made public a letter he had received from the Mayor in connection with the opposition that has risen to the provision that gives the Mayor veto power over all resolutions of the Board of Estimates relating to appropriations of money and the granting of franchises and bonds, and that such resolutions may be repealed over such veto only by twelve out of the sixteen votes.

Commissioner Andrews called the Mayor's attention to the fact that the Ives charter, which was signed by President McAnany as a member of that commission, provided that the Mayor have veto power over all resolutions in regard to appropriations and for ten votes to pass such resolutions over the veto of a majority of the board.

The Mayor's letter to Commissioner Andrews is as follows:

Your letter with regard to the objection in the Board of Estimate to the Mayor's veto power in the proposed new charter is at hand. You are quite right in pointing out that it is nothing new. It is taken from the present charter, from the so-called Ives proposed charter and from the so-called Hammond proposed charter, as you point out. And this is the case with nearly everything that we read so much exaggerated about. I never asked for the Mayor's veto power to be enlarged. The draftsmen merely took the thing as it was of the present charter.

By the present law the Mayor has a veto in respect of franchises and contracts and therefor. The enlarged veto so as to include purchases of real estate and expenditures of city money was recommended by the last two charter commissions, as I have said.

In my miserable impaired physical condition I have not been able to take the part in the drafting of the new charter which I had at one time hoped to take. I have had my bed and tucked to keep on my feet, and I have been unable to do anything as best I can until the good weather restores me. I am conscious of my shortcomings and of how much I have tried to do, but I could not do more.

I would like to go before the legislative committee, but I cannot. But I am content with whatever may be done. I think I will write a memorandum about the charter to the Mayor.

As to the veto of purchases of real estate, I suppose you know that the Controller has advised against it. I have no objection to it, and all that the proposed charter amendment does in that respect is to take his advice. I have no objection to it, and all that the proposed charter amendment does in that respect is to take his advice. I have no objection to it, and all that the proposed charter amendment does in that respect is to take his advice.

There are other criticisms being made of the charter which are as baseless as the one you mention. I have no objection to the recommendations of the last two charter commissions.

HABEAS CORPUS REPORT IS IN

Medical Jurisprudence Committee Against Changing Law.

The proposition to change the law regarding the writ of habeas corpus in so far as it relates to the criminally insane came before the Society of Medical Jurisprudence last night, when the report of the committee appointed to consider the proposed change was made. The suggestion was made by John Brooks Leavitt on account of the repeated writs obtained by Harry K. Thaw in his attempts to be released from Matteawan.

Mr. Leavitt's position was that the right of the criminally insane to sue on writs of habeas corpus should be limited. He wanted the law so amended that after a criminal had been declared insane and the judgment had been reviewed through one writ of habeas corpus, he should be debarred from continued applications for further writs.

The committee appointed by the society to consider Mr. Leavitt's proposal took the attitude in its report last night that there should be no change in the law relating to the writ of habeas corpus, first, because it was fundamental policy to change great basic laws; second, because the proposed change would be unconstitutional; and third, because it would be unconstitutional.

Hammond denied that he discharged Turner or that he was personally liable as president of the association. He said that there was no contract in writing and that Turner had been paid in full.

FUNERAL OF A. B. KITTREDGE.

East Jaffrey, N. H., May 8.—Amid the scenes of his early youth, funeral services were held in the Congregational Church here today for ex-United States Senator Alfred B. Kittredge, of Sioux Falls, S. D., who died in Hot Springs, Ark., last Thursday. The officiating clergymen were the Rev. David Howie, pastor of the Congregational Church, and the Rev. George H. Flint, of Boston. Burial was in Mount Monument cemetery, on the side of Mount Monadnock.

BENEFIT FOR THE P. W. L. TO-DAY.

Miss Blanche Bates is the latest volunteer for the P. W. L. National Women's League benefit which will take place in the Hudson Theatre this afternoon. The ministerial part, participated in by fifty actresses, John Mason and company, in the third act of "A Man Thinkin'." Ralph Herr, Bayes and Norcross, Elsie Janis, Cliff Gordon, Maggie Clark, the six O'Connor Sisters, Frances Redding and company, Ernest Truex and Duke Prim and others make up a programme that will occupy the afternoon.

HENRY W. SAVAGE TO SAIL.

Henry W. Savage will sail for Europe today, his chief object being to secure success for his production in English of Puccini's grand opera, "The Girl of the Golden West." He has engaged Louisa Villani and Emma Swallow for two of the "Mimies" and he hopes to secure for the third alternate a young American woman now singing in Europe. Mr. Savage also expects to arrange for European productions of "Evergreen" and "Excuse Me." He will return about the middle of June.

CHINAMAN WINS PRIZE AT YALE.

New Haven, May 8.—The annual De Forest prize speaking contest at Yale University was won to-night by Yun-Han Tsang, of Shanghai, China, who spoke on "Yale Spirit." The winner of the contest receives a gold medal of the value of \$50.

NEW YORK FROM THE SUBURBS.

A French aviator announces that he will fly up Broadway in New York. Probably the quickest means of getting away from Wall Street—Cleveland Leader.

Until New York adopts adequate means for eliminating useless waste the cry for more water will be continuous—Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

When "Crime waves" grand jurors disagree in New York police force reports it is vindication—Springfield Union.

New York alienists are puzzled by the cases of two inmates of Bellevue Hospital who are evidently pretending to be lunatics. Possessed of sane minds, they are just acting, not having yet learned to make up like New Yorkers—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

If there are one thousand lawsuits on the United States Supreme Court calendar, well, what of it? There are lawyers trying to live in New York City and a few more in every other American hamlet—Buffalo Inquirer.

SINGER STIRS SAILORS

Five Hundred Join in "Love Me and the World Is Mine."

SEA AND AIR COMPARED

Augustus Post Speaks at 83d Anniversary of American Seamen's Friend Society.

Augustus Post, the man who sails the air in various types of craft designed to utilize the pressure of the wind, made five headway last night when he told five hundred sailormen, at the American Seamen's Friend Society, in West street, that aeroplanes and sailors were alike in two things.

You and I frequently get out of sight of land," he said, "and no doubt both of us have felt the same craving to see it again when things acted as if something was going wrong."

It was the eighty-third anniversary of the society. Before Mr. Post told of his experiences by aeroplane and balloon an inspiring feature of the exercises occurred. The platform was filled with clergymen, the balconies with peach cheeked girls and handsome women, while the lower floor was crowded with a composite crew of warm hearted, budding aviators.

The Rev. Dr. J. B. Calvert, vice-president of the society, announced in a most dignified way that there would be a little music. He said the singer would be Miss Alice D. Justin. There was applause enough to indicate that her capacity to thrill the high notes pleasantly was pretty well accepted for a fact. Miss Justin appeared accompanied by a woman pianist and there was a moment of respectful silence, tense, however, with expectation.

Miss Justin was good to look upon, and when she looked at her friends, the sailors, men, she smiled. There was renewed applause at this, and then Miss Justin began to sing "Love Me and the World Is Mine."

Without any coaching, those five hundred sailormen, their eyes riveted on her cheery face, took up the refrain of the chorus at its first word. They sang with fervent expression, heart swelling power. Miss Justin smiled again, blushed this time, and the chorus was repeated. The second verse Miss Justin carried alone, and then came that thrilling, pulsating, high beating chorus.

It was catching. The clergymen joined in, the dauntless maidens were already at it, the handsome women with long white ails, the men in the next room playing checkers, and probably the policeman on his beat, sang as if they all would henceforth be broken spirits unless the words and sentiment of the song could be indelibly impressed upon the quiet neighborhood.

When the Rev. C. M. Thompson, Hunter, secretary of the society, found an opening, he suggested that the port watch sing, while the starboard watch whistled the air.

When Miss Justin fled from the stage she got a reception that must have made her sorry to remember how soon she would leave town for Oregon. In only three weeks, said the Rev. Mr. Hunter, Miss Justin would be a long way from West street.

Something was said about three cheers, then for what she had done for the sailors, and they rolled out with so much good will and manhood back of them, that Miss Justin probably will never forget them.

Among those present were Samuel Bolt, of the New York Port Society; Ezra T. Sanford, Anton A. Raven, Captain G. W. Schroeder, the Rev. Dr. John B. Devins, Frederick B. Duizel, Daniel Barnes, Walter D. Despard and Edward M. Cutler.

HAMMOND MAY FILE ANSWER

J. F. Turner Gets Interlocutory Judgment for \$17,368 for Services.

The Supreme Court sustained the demurrer yesterday filed by Jesse F. Turner to the answer of John Hays Hammond in the suit brought by Turner to recover \$17,368. The court gave the plaintiff an interlocutory judgment, with permission to the defendant to file a supplementary answer.

Turner said he was engaged by Hammond as organizer of branch clubs of the National Association of Republican Clubs, of which Hammond is president. That was in 1909, and his services, Turner said, were to continue until 1913. He said he worked until September last, when he was wrongfully discharged. He asserted that his services were valuable and unique, and he had then had a claim for \$17,368 for services and \$1,818 for disbursements. Of this amount Turner said he received \$5,450.

Hammond denied that he discharged Turner or that he was personally liable as president of the association. He said that there was no contract in writing and that Turner had been paid in full.

UNITED HATTERS IN SESSION

Sixty Delegates Present at Quadrennial Convention.

The United Hatters of North America began their quadrennial convention, which will last for two weeks, at Arlington Hall, in St. Martin's Place, yesterday, sixty delegates representing twelve thousand members of locals in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Danbury, Conn., and other cities being in attendance. The meeting was opened by John A. Moffett, the president, who reported that good progress had been made in increasing the membership of the body.

The officers of the union did not care yesterday to say anything regarding the decision of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals in the Loewe boycotting case, by which the decision of the lower court awarding Loewe & Co. three times the damages against the officers and members of the Danbury union was set aside. They said they would prefer before discussing the matter to wait and see what the next step of the employers would be.

AMERICA LAGS IN AVIATION

Dr. Alexander Graham Bell Found the Old World Far Ahead.

Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor, arrived yesterday on the White Star liner Celtic from Liverpool, accompanied by his wife, with whom he has just made a tour of the world. He is more interested now in the hydroplane and the aeroplane than he is in the device which brought him fame and fortune. He gave much attention to aviation while abroad, and said yesterday that its development and progress in Europe are far ahead of America.

Europe is ahead of America in the development of the hydroplane, Dr. Bell said. In Italy he had seen the Forlanini hydroplane on Lake Maggiore developing a speed of forty-five miles an hour. In India he had seen mail carried by aeroplane, and had sent a letter by that means when in India several miles from the railroad.

Dr. Bell and a party of friends who met him at the pier went to Washington in the forenoon.

WHAT IS GOING ON TO-DAY.

Free admission to the American Museum of Natural History and the Zoological Garden.

Professional Woman's League benefit, Hudson Theatre, 1:30 p. m.

Dinner of the Church Association for the Advancement of the Interests of Labor, Colman Restaurant, No. 767 Sixth avenue, 7 p. m.

Dinner of the Canadian Club, Hotel Flanagan, evening.

New York City Conference of charities and correction societies, Brooklyn, 8 p. m.

THE SLOW BIDDERS.

Have Mr. Shonts and Colonel Williams still something up their sleeves?



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OBITUARY.

COLONEL DENNIS B. HARRIS.

Colonel Dennis Butler Harris, said to have been the first man to start the free silver boom in New York in 1884, died yesterday in St. Luke's Hospital. Although Colonel Harris had been ill for several months, his death was unexpected. A complication of diseases was the immediate cause of his death.

For years Colonel Harris was a mining broker, with offices at No. 111 Broadway, and had made his home at the Hoffman House, where he was a conspicuous figure. In 1907 he dropped out of sight and little had been heard of him since.

He was best known as the "Original Silver Harris." He was born in Hamden, Conn., on March 4, 1835, and was the son of William Overton Harris and Lucy Robinson Butler. Colonel Harris served throughout the Civil War, performing distinguished services for the Confederate army. He was deputy commissary general agent under Colonel Craigsmiles, of Cleveland, Tenn. He will be buried in Kensico Cemetery, the Southern Society of New York taking charge of the funeral.

DR. S. E. HOLZMAN.

Asbury Park, N. J., May 8.—Dr. Samuel E. Holzman, a summer resident of Ocean Grove for twelve years, was found dead in bed from heart trouble in Ocean Grove today. Twelve years ago his hip was broken by a fall on the steps of a church in New York. Dr. Holzman was an interne in the Lincoln Hospital, New York, when the Civil War began. Then he returned to Indiana to join the 58th Volunteers. During part of the war he was medical director of his regiment. He was born in Winchester, Va., seventy-three years ago.

When he lived with his son, S. Ford Holzman, at Riverside Manor, Hastings-on-Hudson. Besides the son a wife and three daughters survive him. The daughters are Mrs. D. A. Dinagard and Mrs. Harriet D. Weber, of New York, and Mrs. H. E. Torrance, of Pontiac, Ill.

J. H. McELDOWNEY.

Word was received at the National City Bank yesterday of the death on Sunday of J. H. McEldowney, one of the vice-presidents, from valvular heart trouble, in Ospedaletti, on the Italian Riviera. Mr. McEldowney went abroad last October in the hope of restoring his health, and had expected to return home to his office in March. He was about forty-three years old. He leaves a wife and three children, who have been with him in Europe. Mr. McEldowney came to the National City Bank from Chicago about 1904, as assistant to Frank A. Vanderbilt, then vice-president in charge of the bond department, and was promoted to be head of that department, with the title of vice-president, upon the election of Mr. Vanderbilt as president to succeed James Stillman. He was considered an expert on investment values.

MICHAEL S. LEVY.

Baltimore, May 8.—Michael S. Levy, seventy-five years old, widely known as a pioneer in the manufacture of straw hats, died here late to-night. During a period of severe financial depression some years ago Mr. Levy was obliged to lay off several hundred hands. He advanced the employees their salaries for several weeks, with the stipulation that they were to pay back the money when they again obtained work. When they were about to make the last payment, just before Christmas, Mr. Levy returned all the money that had been repaid, as a Hebrew's recognition of the spirit of the Christians' greatest holiday.

THE REV. DR. JOHN H. DE FOREST.

Tokio, May 8.—The Rev. Dr. John H. De Forest, a veteran Congregational missionary, died to-day. The Rev. Dr. De Forest had been connected with the Sendai mission for many years. This is an important commercial, educational and military city on the north-east coast, two hundred miles north of Tokio. He was graduated from Yale in the class of '68. In 1908 Dr. De Forest was decorated by the Japanese Government with the Order of the Rising Sun in recognition of his services in dispelling anti-Japanese misconceptions among Americans.

OBITUARY NOTES.

THE REV. DR. MOSES H. HARRIS, pastor of All Souls' Unitarian Church, of Watertown, N. Y., died yesterday at Clifton Springs Sanatorium. Death was due to heart trouble, following an attack of grip. Dr. Harris was born at Green, Me., fifty-five years ago. He was a graduate of St. Lawrence University Theological School and was a trustee of the university.

LEWIS M. HEDGES, a well known old-time showman and for many years manager for P. T. Barnum, died at his home, in Chicago, on Sunday. He had been ill for about a year.

MAJOR RICHARD CHURCH, for many years a resident of this city, and a member of the Union Club, died at the home of his son-in-law, in Rochester, yesterday. Major Church served as assistant cashier of the Custom House for several years. He was a personal friend of President Cleveland and Collector Kilbreth.

WIRELESS AGENT TESTIFIES

Says